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MONTANA SENATE 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Call to Order: Chair Dee Brown, on January 12, 2017 at 2:00 P.M., in Room 350 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Dee Brown, Chair (R)
Sen. Chas Vincent, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)
Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)
Sen. Jennifer Fielder (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Nadine Spencer, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action:

Nominations to the Legislative Council Committee, Legislative Finance Committee,
Legislative Audit Committee, Economic Development Advisory Council, Environmental
Quality Council

00:00:27 Chair Brown

00:00:50 **Motion:** Sen. Buttrey moved that the Legislative Council Committee retain Sen. Buttrey and Sen. Facey as members and add Sen. Thomas and Sen. MacDonald.

Discussion:

00:01:11 Chair Brown

00:01:34 **Vote:** The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:01:47 Sen. Osmundson

00:01:54 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Buttrey moved that the Legislative Audit Committee retain Sen. McNally, Sen. Brown, and Sen. Vuckovich and add Sen. Keenan and Sen. Gauthier. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:02:25 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Buttrey moved that the Legislative Finance Committee retain Sen. Wolken and add Sen. Osmundson. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:02:50 **Motion:** Sen. Buttrey moved that the Economic Development Advisory Council retain Sen. Hoven and add Sen. F. Smith.

Discussion:

00:03:01 Chair Brown

00:03:20 Sen. Buttrey

00:03:47 **Vote:** The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:03:57 **Motion:** Sen. Buttrey moved that the Environmental Quality Council (EQC) retain Sen. Phillips and add Sen. Pomnichowski and Sen. Facey as minority members.

Discussion:

00:04:21 Sen. Welborn

00:04:35 Sen. Buttrey

00:04:52 **Vote:** The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:05:03 Sen. Buttrey

00:05:16 Chair Brown

00:05:28 Sen. Buttrey

00:05:32 Chair Brown

00:05:34 Sen. Buttrey

00:05:38 Chair Brown

00:06:12 Sen. Buttrey said that the majority party nominees to the EQC are Sen. C. Smith, Sen. Fielder, Sen. Lang, Sen. Hinebauch, and Sen. Vincent.

00:06:30 Chair Brown

00:06:46 **Motion/Vote:** The motion to nominate Sen. C. Smith to the EQC carried with Sen. Brown, Sen. Buttrey, Sen. Fielder, Sen. Welborn, and Sen. Vincent voting aye.

00:07:04 **Motion/Vote:** The motion to nominate Sen. Vincent to the EQC carried with Sen. Buttrey, Sen. Fielder, Sen. Welborn, and Sen. Vincent, and Sen. Osmundson voting aye.

00:07:23 **Motion/Vote:** The motion to nominate Sen. Fielder to the EQC failed 3-3 with Sen. Brown, Sen. Fielder, and Sen. Vincent voting aye.

00:07:38 **Motion/Vote:** The motion to nominate Sen. Hinebauch to the EQC failed 3-3 with Sen. Buttrey, Sen. Welborn, and Sen. Osmundson voting aye.

00:07:52 **Motion/Vote:** The motion to nominate Sen. Lang to the EQC failed 2-4 with Sen. Welborn and Sen. Brown voting aye.

00:08:02 Chair Brown

Discussion:

00:08:29 Sen. Vincent

00:09:18 Chair Brown

00:09:38 Sen. Buttrey

00:09:50 Chair Brown

00:10:01 Sen. Fielder

00:10:42 Sen. Osmundson

00:11:10 Chair Brown

00:11:20 **Motion/Vote:** The motion to nominate Sen. Fielder to the EQC failed 3-3 with Sen. Brown, Sen. Fielder, and Sen. Vincent voting aye.

00:11:41 Chair Brown

Discussion:

00:11:44 Sen. Vincent

00:11:59 Sen. Fielder

00:12:36 Sen. Vincent

00:13:26 Chair Brown

00:13:40 Sen. Vincent

00:13:43 **Motion/Vote:** The motion to nominate Sen. Fielder to the EQC failed by voice vote with Sen. Brown voting aye.

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00:13:55 **Motion/Vote:** The motion to nominate Sen. Hinebauch to the EQC passed 4-0 by voice vote with Sen. Buttrey, Sen. Welborn, Sen. Vincent, and Sen. Osmundson voting aye. Sen. Fielder abstained from voting.

00:14:18 Chair Brown

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 2:14 PM

Nadine Spencer, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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